

City of Marietta

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Meeting Minutes MARIETTA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

David Freedman, Chairman Martin C. Kendall, Vice Chair Rebecca Nash Paden Christopher Campbell Jim Trimble Suzanne Dent Steve Imler

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

4:30 PM

Marietta City Hall Council Chambers

Present: David Freedman, Steve Imler, Suzanne Dent, Martin Kendall, Jim Trimble,

Christopher Campbell, **Absent:** Rebecca Paden

HD Reps Present: (Church Cherokee) Paul Elliott, Neal Russell

Staff Present:

Rusty Roth, Development Services Director Shelby Little Planning & Zoning Manager Joseph Atkins, Board Attorney Sandra Lloyd, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Freedman called the Historic Preservation Commission meeting to order at 4:34PM.

MINUTES:

20221162

Regular Meeting Minutes

Review and approval of the Historic Preservation Commission November 28, 2022 regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commission member Campbell, seconded by Commission member Kendall, that the November 28, 2022 Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting minutes be Approved and Finalized. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 6-0-0

BUSINESS:

Chairman Freedman altered the order of the agenda to hear Legistar item 20221164, 244 Seminole Drive first, followed by Legistar item 20220491, Marietta Waterworks and lastly Legistar item 20221163, discussion of signage for historic buildings in the Downtown Historic District (Marietta Square).

20221164

244 Seminole Drive NE-Additions

Applicant, Brian McElroy, is seeking approval for and addition of a second floor above the current one-story house that included three (3) bedrooms with accompanying closet, two (2) bathrooms and mechanical space for a new HVAC system. First floor addition included extending the front porch east to the end of the house, a screen-in porch on the east side of the house with a covered walkway behind it to cover the existing side door into the kitchen.

A motion was made by Commission member Imler, seconded by Commission member Kendall, that this matter be Approved and Finalized as presented with the following condition:

The brick on the front of the house as shown on the drawing supplied with the application will be replaced with "hardie" plank.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote 6-2-0 Freedman and Trimble Voted Against

20220491

Signage Discussion-Marietta Waterworks

Continue discussion of the feasibility of placing a marker or interpretive sign at the location of the historic Marietta Waterworks and status update of deliverables:

Final Sign Draft Status of Bid Sign Location

Chairman Freedman presented the final sign draft from East Point Foundry. Commission member Kendall commented that the wording on the sign should be both lower- and upper-case letters using the existing font. The city logo will be retained but remove "City of Marietta" at the bottom of the sign and extend the solid line. Waterworks is one word.

Chairman Freedman noted that all could be changed along with "center justifying" the wording on the sign. The final sign will be made of aluminum; colors will be silver lettering on a hunter green background. The quoted price is \$1684.00 plus shipping, or the sign can be picked up to save on shipping costs.

Chairman Freedman is working with Parks & Recreation Deputy Director Rich Deckman on this project. Mr. Deckman felt that attaching the sign to the Waterworks building would not be the best choice for two reasons: 1. Having to drill holes into the building facade and 2. the building is scheduled to be painted. The sign will be placed at the location previously discussed and decided on by the Commission, but it will be placed on a post.

A motion was made by Commission member Dent, seconded by Commission member Trimble to approve and finalize the creation of an historic sign marker of aluminum metal, green background with silver lettering, Marietta city logo to remain at the top, keeping "Marietta Waterworks" as the title with "WATERWORKS" as one word centered under "MARIETTA" both in capital letters. The body of the sign text will contain upper- and lower-case letters and be centered. "City of Marietta" will be removed from the bottom of the sign replaced with a continuous solid line. The sign will be placed in the front right corner of the building grounds on a pole. The next proof of the sign containing these changes will be emailed to the commission for review and approval. Any changes other than those outlined in this motion will need to come before the Commission for approval. This motion was Approved and Finalized and carried by the following vote:

Vote: 6-0-0

20221163

Signage for Historic Buildings in the Downtown Historic District (Marietta Square)

Discuss the feasibility of placing historic marker signs on the historic buildings in the downtown historic district.

Chairman Freedman spoke with Philip Goldstein who is the owner of many of the properties in the historic downtown, (Marietta Square). Mr. Goldstein thought the historic markers on the buildings was a good idea. Since there will be multiple issues with a project of this scope, at this time, Chairman Freedman is requesting approval from the Commission to begin taking the initial steps starting with the Mayor, City Manager, City attorney, etc. acknowledging that this process will likely take years to accomplish. Board attorney, Joe Atkins, confirmed that this type of project is well within the scope and authority of the Historic Preservation Commission to promote historical education though-out the city. At the appropriate time, the project will also have to be approved by the Historic Board of Review.

A motion was made by Chairman Freedman, seconded by Board member Trimble, that the chair be authorized to begin preliminary discussions with appropriate parties regarding placing historic markers on the buildings in the historic downtown Marietta Square. This motion was Approved and Finalized and carried by the following vote:

Vote 6-0-0

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Freedman adjourned the meeting at 5:10PM

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Sandra Lloyd, Secretary